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To: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On October 8, 2003, Applicants submitted an Amendment in response to the Decision on Appeal dated September 26, 2003. The post card receipt submitted with this submission has not been received. The period for response expires November 26, 2003. Accordingly, to insure that the response has been received timely, Applicants are transmitting a duplicate copy of the submission filed October 8, 2003.

Claim 1 (amended) and claims 22 - 24 (proposed) are claims in the instant case which possess the broadest scope. When these claims are found to be allowable, the other claims in this

application will be amended accordingly to incorporate the limitations found in the aforementioned claims.

In view of the arguments and modification to Claim 1 and the addition of Claim 22 - 24, allowance of this case is warranted. Such favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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I certify that this amendment is being telefaxed at (703) 872-9306 to the United States Postal Service on the date shown below addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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